I claim:

1. A computer implemented method for creating a buy-back investment report comprising the steps of:

receiving a request specifying a selection of stocks from a database of stock information:

selecting criteria for screening the selection of stock. wherein the selected criteria consists of a buyback ratio and at least one of price/sales ratio and a price/earnings ratio for each stock.

screening the selection of stocks, the screening process including the substeps of

identifying the stocks from the specified selection having buyback ratios. wherein a buyback ratio corresponds to a percentage of issued stock repurchased from the public during a specified period and resulting in a decrease of shares outstanding. and

identifying a price/sales ratio or price/earnings ratio in the group for each such stock of a subset of the stocks having buyback ratios. wherein the subset is determined based on the buyback ratio for each stock: and

ranking stocks within the subset based on the price/sales ratio or price/earnings ratio for each stock. wherein the stock having the lowest price/sales ratio or price/earnings ratio is ranked the highest.

2. The method of claim 1. wherein the database includes a market cap value table for identifying the market cap value of each company. and wherein the substep of identifying the price/sales ratio or the price/earnings ratio includes the substeps of

selecting the price/sales ratio for the companies in a top half of market cap table; and

selecting the price/earnings ratio for the companies in a bottom half of market cap table.

3. The method of claim 1. wherein the request specifies the Standard and Poor index. and wherein the screening step includes the substeps of

searching the Standard and Poor index within the database; and

identifying the companies having buyback ratios in the Standard and Poor index.

4. The method of claim 1. wherein the request specifies the Dow Jones Industrial Average. and wherein the screening step includes the substeps of

searching the Dow Jones Industrial Average within the database; and

identifying the companies having buyback ratios in the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

5. The method of claim 1. wherein the selection criteria includes a buyback level and the substep of identifying the companies having buyback ratios further includes the sub-step of

identifying the companies in accordance with the buyback selection level.

6. The method of claim 5. wherein the buyback selection level is a price value of stocks repurchased.

7. The method of claim 5. wherein the buyback selection level is a numerical volume of stocks repurchased.

8. The method of claim 1. further including the steps of

generating an investment report comprising the ranking of stocks; and

outputting the investment report.

9. The method of claim 8. wherein the outputting step of includes the substep of

storing the investment report on a storage medium.

10. A computerized investment management system for creating an investment report. comprising:

means for receiving a request specifying a selection of stocks from a database of stock information;

means for selecting criteria for screening the selection of stock. wherein the selected criteria consists of a buy-back ratio and at least one of price/sales ratio and a price/earnings ratio for each stock.

means for screening the selection of stocks including

means for identifying the stocks from the specified selection having buyback ratios. wherein a buyback ratio corresponds to a percentage of issued stock repurchased from the public during a specified period and resulting in a decrease of shares outstanding, and

means for identifying a price/sales ratio or price/earnings ratio in the group for each such stock of a subset of the stocks having buyback ratios. wherein the subset is determined based on the buyback ratio for each stock; and

means for ranking stocks within the subset based on the price/sales ratio or price/earnings ratio for each stock. wherein the stock having the lowest price/sales ratio or price/earnings ratio is ranked the highest.

11. The system of claim 10. wherein the database includes a market cap value table for identifying the market cap value of each company. and wherein the means for identifying a price/sales ratio or price/earnings ratio includes

means for selecting the price/sales ratio for the companies in a top half of market cap table; and

means for selecting the price/earnings ratio for the companies in a bottom half of market cap table.

12. The system of claim 10. wherein the request specifies the Standard and Poor index. and wherein the means for screening includes

means for searching the Standard and Poor index within the database; and

means for identifying the companies having buyback ratios in the Standard and Poor index.

13. The system of claim 10. wherein the request specifies the Dow Jones Industrial Average. and wherein the means for screening includes

means for searching the Dow Jones Industrial Average within the database; and

means for identifying the companies having buyback ratios in the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

14. The system of claim 10. wherein the selection criteria includes a buyback level and the means for identifying the companies having buyback ratios further includes

21.   A computer implemented method for reporting on investments, or potential investments, comprising the steps of:

receiving a request specifying a selection of stocks from a database of stock information;

identifying stocks from the specified selection having buyback ratios, wherein a buyback ratio corresponds to a percentage of shares of issued stock repurchased from the public during a specified period and resulting in a decrease of shares outstanding; and

generating a report ranking a set of the identified stocks with buyback ratios based on a metric associated with performance of the corresponding company.

22.   The method of claim 21, wherein the metric is selected from the group comprising a price/sales ratio and a price/earnings ratio, for each stock.

23.   The method of claim 22, wherein the database includes a market cap value table for identifying a market cap value of each company, and wherein the step of generating a report includes the substeps of

selecting the price/sales ratio for the companies in a top half of market cap table; and

selecting the price/earnings ratio for the companies in a bottom half of market cap table.

24.   The method of claim 21, further comprising:

accessing a Standard and Poor index; and wherein the step of identifying stocks includes the substep of

identifying any companies having buyback ratios based on information from the Standard and Poor index.

25. The method of claim 21, further comprising:

accessing a database with information corresponding to a Dow Jones Industrial

Average, and

wherein the step of identifying stocks includes the substep of

identifying any companies having buyback ratios based on the Dow Jones

Industrial Average.

26. The method of claim 21, wherein the step of identifying stocks based on

information in the Dow Jones Industrial Average database includes the substep of:

identifying the stocks in accordance with a buyback selection level.

27. The method of claim 26, wherein the buyback selection level is a price value of

the stocks repurchased.

28. The method of claim 26, wherein the buyback selection level is a numerical

volume of the stocks repurchased.

29. The method of claim 21, further comprising the step of:

outputting the report.

30. The method of claim 21, further comprising the step of:

storing the report on a storage medium.

31.   An apparatus for reporting on investments, or potential investments, comprising:

a receiving module configured to receive a request specifying a selection of stocks from a database of stock information;

an identifying module configured to identify stocks from the specified selection having buyback ratios, wherein a buyback ratio corresponds to a percentage of shares of issued stock repurchased from the public during a specified period and resulting in a decrease of shares outstanding; and

a generating module configured to generate a report ranking a set of the identified stocks with buyback ratios based on a metric associated with performance of the corresponding company.

32.   The apparatus of claim 31, wherein the metric is selected from the group comprising a price/sales ratio and a price/earnings ratio, for each stock.

33.   The apparatus of claim 32, wherein the database includes a market cap value table for identifying a market cap value of each company, and wherein the generating module configured to generate a report includes:

a selecting module configured to select the price/sales ratio for the companies in a top half of market cap table; and

a selecting module configured to select the price/earnings ratio for the companies in a bottom half of market cap table.

34.   The apparatus of claim 31, further comprising:

an accessing module configured to access a Standard and Poor index; and wherein

the identifying module configured to identify stocks includes:

an identifying module configured to identify any companies having buyback ratios

based on information from the Standard and Poor index.

35.   The apparatus of claim 31, further comprising:

an accessing module configured to access a database with information

corresponding to a Dow Jones Industrial Average, and

wherein the identifying module configured to identify stocks includes:

an identifying module configured to identify any companies having buyback ratios

based on the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

36.   The apparatus of claim 31, wherein the identifying module configured to identify

stocks based on information in the Dow Jones Industrial Average database includes:

an identifying module configured to identify the stocks in accordance with a

buyback selection level.

37.   The apparatus of claim 36, wherein the buyback selection level is a price value of

the stocks repurchased.

38.   The apparatus of claim 36, wherein the buyback selection level is a numerical

volume of the stocks repurchased.

39.   The apparatus of claim 31, further comprising:

an outputting module configured to output the report.

40.   The apparatus of claim 31, further comprising:

a storing module configured to store the report on a storage medium.

41. A computer program product comprising:

a computer usable medium having computer readable code embodied therein for reporting on investments, or potential investments, the computer usable medium comprising:

a receiving module configured to receive a request specifying a selection of stocks from a database of stock information;

an identifying module configured to identify stocks from the specified selection having buyback ratios, wherein a buyback ratio corresponds to a percentage of shares of issued stock repurchased from the public during a specified period and resulting in a decrease of shares outstanding; and

a generating module configured to generate a report ranking a set of the identified stocks with buyback ratios based on a metric associated with performance of the corresponding company.

42. The computer usable medium of claim 41, wherein the metric is selected from the group comprising a price/sales ratio and a price/earnings ratio, for each stock.

43. The computer usable medium of claim 42, wherein the database includes a market cap value table for identifying a market cap value of each company, and wherein the generating module configured to generate a report includes:

a selecting module configured to select the price/sales ratio for the companies in a top half of market cap table; and

a selecting module configured to select the price/earnings ratio for the companies in a bottom half of market cap table.

44. The computer usable medium of claim 41, further comprising:

an accessing module configured to access a Standard and Poor index; and wherein the identifying module configured to identify stocks includes:

an identifying module configured to identify any companies having buyback ratios based on information from the Standard and Poor index.

45. The computer usable medium of claim 41, further comprising:

an accessing module configured to access a database with information corresponding to a Dow Jones Industrial Average, and

wherein the identifying module configured to identify stocks includes:

an identifying module configured to identify any companies having buyback ratios based on the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

46. The computer usable medium of claim 41, wherein the identifying module configured to identify stocks based on information in the Dow Jones Industrial Average database includes:

an identifying module configured to identify the stocks in accordance with a buyback selection level.

47. The computer usable medium of claim 46, wherein the buyback selection level is a price value of the stocks repurchased.

48. The computer usable medium of claim 46, wherein the buyback selection level is a numerical volume of the stocks repurchased.

49. The computer usable medium of claim 41, further comprising:

an outputting module configured to output the report.

50.   The computer usable medium of claim 41, further comprising:

a storing module configured to store the report on a storage medium.